

Re: Comments on MM 95-31: Proposed Application limit for new Station Applications in October 12 – October 19, 2007 Window

I support the Commission's limit of ten applications for original construction permits during the upcoming non-commercial educational filing window in October.

The concerns of local community groups are numerous. Since the last opportunity to file new or major change applications was more than seven years ago, many groups will be looking to apply for new stations. Without this limit in place it is almost certain that a large number of speculative filings will occur. The large number of garbage, distant, and speculative filings during the 2003 translator window removed numerous opportunities for LPFM and created a large processing backlog which may take years to undue. Many local organizations who filed legitimate applicants during this window are still waiting. I feel it would be a mistake for the Commission to allow this to happen again.

A limit of 10 applications during this window is reasonable and will help the Commission expeditiously process the legitimate applications giving local community, university, and religious organizations an opportunity to provide new or additional service to their local communities quicker.

In order to alleviate the concerns of those organizations who wish to file more than ten applications, the Commission could open up application windows on a regular basis (perhaps yearly). These groups could then file additional applications at such times with whatever spectrum remains while choosing their preferred ten applications during this window.